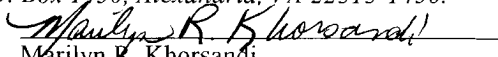


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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 18, 2009
WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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This Amendment and Response is filed in response to the Office Action, designated a Final rejection and dated August 18, 2009, regarding the above-identified application. The Office Action set a three-month period for reply, namely, until November 18, 2009. A Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") and the appropriate fee are filed concurrently herewith. It is respectfully submitted that this Amendment and Response and the concurrently filed RCE are timely filed within the three-month reply period because they are filed before the expiration of November 18, 2009. Further examination of the application in view of the concurrently filed RCE and the Amendments and the Response and Remarks below is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the **Listing of Claims** that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Response and Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.